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STATEMENT OF AEDWARD LOS BANOS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

BEFORE THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 2:45 P.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 414

in consideration of

GM 752 HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY NOMINEE JOHN WHALEN

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi, and Members of the Committee.

The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) has not acted on this measure. In my capacity as Executive Director, I respectfully offer my **support of John Whalen**, who has served on the board since July 1, 2015.

As Chair of HCDA for the past four years, Whalen brings his expertise as a planner to the Authority and works with the board in a professional manner to pass policy and implement the community development district rules without bias and in the best interest of the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer support of John Whalen.

GM-752

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Testimony for EET on 4/10/2019 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dylan P. Armstrong	Testifying for Oahu County Committee, Oahu County Democrats	Support	No

Comments:

The Oahu County Committee of the Oahu County Democrats are writing in proud support of the re-confirmation of JOHN WHALEN to continue to serve on the Hawai'i Community Development Authority.

Mr. Whalen is a career planner, having served the people of Hawaii capably since 1974, when he worked for Mayor Frank Fasi at the City and County of Honolulu. His local career has included private-sector planning experience, and he is a well-rounded urban planner, knowledgable as to housing, land use, the environment and transportation, to name a few subject-matter areas.

The Oahu County Democrats are proud to offer testimony in support of Mr. Whalen's confirmation to HCDA, where he can continue to serve the people of Hawaii.

Regards, Dylan P. Armstrong, Vice Chair Oahu County Committee

Statement of **Mary Alice Evans**

before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

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Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Community Development Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, JOHN WHALEN, for a term to expire on 06-30-2023.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee.

I respectfully urge your <u>support</u> for the confirmation of **John Whalen** to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

John has served as the Chair of the HCDA board for four years. He is a planner with years of experience in the private sector and as Director of the City & County of Honolulu's Department of General Planning. There is no element of planning and development that John is not familiar with. His calm even-handed approach to contentious issues makes him the right person to sit on this very important board.

I respectfully urge you to recommend <u>advice and consent</u> to the nomination of John Whalen for the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.



TESTIMONY BY:

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Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** the confirmation of John Whalen to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).

Mr. Whalen is an urban and regional planner whose professional career spans more than four decades and includes substantial administrative roles in government and private practice. He comes before you as one whose experience and qualifications have served to prepare him well to assume any role and/or responsibility that require sound judgement, a creative mind, and drive.

Having served with Mr. Whalen as Chairperson of the HCDA, the DOT find his leadership fair, honest and practical in the planning, management and policies that promote and help coordinate public and private sector community development at Kakaako, Kalealoa and Heeia community development districts.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michelle Matson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fullly spooprt John Whalen, FAICP, continuing to comtribute his balanced planning experience and expertise to the HCDA.